# EPSON PORTLAND, INC. HILLSBORO, OREGON

**Epson Portland, Inc.** manufactures printers and printing parts. Epson has formed numerous partnerships with other firms to reuse and recycle waste and was recognized by Businesses for an Environmentally Sustainable Tomorrow for "Best Innovation in Waste Reduction/Recycling" in 2000. The facility is certified to ISO 14001.

### ENVIRONMENTAL PERFORMANCE

## Past Accomplishments

The Epson Portland facility has demonstrated its commitment to environmental performance in the areas of solid waste and air emissions reduction. From 1997 to 1999 the facility:

AT A GLANCE

Industry Sector: Computers and Electronics

Business: Manufacturer of printers and

printer parts

Facility Employees: More than 1,000 Accomplishments: Reduced solid waste

Reduced air emissions

Reduced hazardous waste mitments: Reduce solid waste

2003 Commitments: Reduce solid waste Reduce greenhouse gas

emissions

Reduce energy use

Reduce hazardous materials

use

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- Reduced solid waste by 59% through improving recycling procedures and finding additional companies that can reuse the facility's waste.
- **Reduced air emissions of VOCs** by 75% through changing chemicals and evaluating and monitoring usage.
- Reduced hazardous waste by 37%.

## Future Commitments

The Epson Portland facility also committed to continued environmental improvements through additional reductions in solid waste, greenhouse gas emissions, energy use, and hazardous materials use. By 2003, the facility will:

- **Reduce solid waste** by diverting 95% of all waste to recycling or reuse.
- **Reduce greenhouse gas emissions** by increasing use of alternative transportation by 2% per year.
- **Reduce energy use** by 3% per year per unit produced.
- **Reduce hazardous material use** by developing a list of environmentally friendly chemicals, switching to lead-free solder, and eliminating the use of petroleum-based solvents.

### COMMUNITY OUTREACH

The Epson Portland facility keeps the lines of communication open with the local community via the legal affairs director, who addresses all community concerns. The facility also produces quarterly press releases and a biannual newsletter called, *In Progress*. In addition, concerned residents can send

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comments to the facility via e-mail at the Epson Portland web site, www.epi.epson.com. The Performance Track Annual Performance Report will be available on the web site.

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